

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application. Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (currently amended) An apparatus comprising:  
  
a first element adapted to be coupled with a second element, the first element comprising a structured surface and the second element comprising a second surface, wherein the second surface comprises a receiving surface and wherein the structured surface comprises a plurality of depressions.
2. (canceled).
3. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1 2, wherein the receiving surface is substantially uniform.
4. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1 2, wherein the structured surface is adapted to be coupled with the receiving surface.
5. (original) The apparatus of claim 4, wherein the structured surface is engaged with the receiving surface.
6. (canceled).

7. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1 6, wherein the depressions are substantially hemispherical.
8. (canceled).
9. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the structured surface further comprises a projection.
10. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein a viscous fluid is disposed on the structured ~~first~~ surface.
11. (currently amended) An apparatus comprising:  
a first element adapted to be coupled with a second element, the first element comprising a first surface; and  
means for damping, the damping means disposed on the first surface of the first element wherein the second element comprises a receiving surface and wherein the damping means comprises a plurality of depressions disposed in the first surface.
12. (canceled).
13. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 11 ~~12~~, wherein the first surface is adapted to be coupled with the receiving surface.

14. (original) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the first surface is disposed adjacent to the receiving surface.

15. (canceled).

16. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 11 ~~15~~, wherein the depressions are substantially hemispherical.

17. (new) A method of damping vibrations in a first element and a second element, wherein said method comprises:  
adapting a first element to be coupled with a second element, the first element comprising a structured surface and the second element comprising a second surface, the second surface comprising a receiving surface and the structured surface comprising a plurality of depressions.

18. (new) The method of claim 17, wherein the depressions are substantially hemispherical.

19. (new) The method of claim 17, wherein the first surface is disposed adjacent to the receiving surface.

20. (new) The method of claim 17, wherein the first surface is adapted to be coupled with the receiving surface.
21. (new) The method of claim 17, further comprising disposing a viscous liquid on the structured surface.
22. (new) The method of claim 17, wherein the structured surface further comprises a projection.
23. (new) The method of claim 17, wherein the structured surface is engaged with the receiving surface.